

Resolution No.: 15-966
Introduced: March 8, 2005
Adopted: April 19, 2005

**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By: County Council

SUBJECT: Special Appropriation #12-E05-CMCPS-3 to the FY05 Capital Budget and
Amendment to the FY05-10 Capital Improvements Program
Montgomery County Public Schools
Indoor Air Quality Improvements (No. 006503): \$1,600,000

Background

1. Article 3, Section 308, of the Charter of Montgomery County, Maryland, provides that a special appropriation: (a) may be made at any time after public notice by news release to meet an unforeseen disaster or other emergency; or to act without delay in the public interest; (b) must specify the revenues to finance it; and (c) must be approved by no fewer than six members of the Council.
2. Article 3, Section 302, of the Charter of Montgomery County, Maryland, provides that the Council may amend an approved capital improvements program at any time by an affirmative vote of six Councilmembers.
3. The Board of Education requested a special appropriation for the Montgomery County Public Schools' Indoor Air Quality Improvements capital project as follows:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source of Funds</u>
Indoor Air Quality Improvements	006503	\$1,600,000	General Obligation Bonds
TOTAL		<u>\$1,600,000</u>	

4. MCPS has completed the testing and analysis of water at 190 public schools in Montgomery County following protocols recommended by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. Almost every school had at least one single water source that was measured as exceeding the action level standard of lead content of 20 parts per billion. All schools, unless specifically authorized by the Montgomery County Health Department, are currently required to follow a mandatory water flushing program pending remedial action.

5. This request will allow MCPS to initiate a plumbing fixture replacement effort to address elevated levels of lead in the drinking water in selected school facilities. It will also enable MCPS to continue the testing analysis so that plans can be developed to address this issue at all MCPS facilities. If additional work, beyond fixture replacements, is identified in this further study, then additional funds may be needed in the future.
6. This appropriation request reflects an increase of \$1.6 million in expenditures for FY05 and requires an amendment to the FY05-10 Capital Improvements Program since the approved scope of work in the Indoor Air Quality Improvements does not include lead abatement efforts.
7. Notice of public hearing was given and a public hearing was held on April 5, 2005.
8. The County Council declares this request is in the public interest to be acted upon without delay as provided for under special appropriation requirements described in Article 3-Section 308 of the Montgomery County Charter.

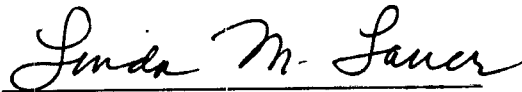
Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland, approves the following action:

A special appropriation to the FY05 Capital Budget and amendment to the FY05-10 Capital Improvements Program is approved for the Montgomery County Public Schools as follows and as shown on the attached project description form.

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This is a correct copy of Council action.



Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council